

NEWS SUMMARY.

At a meeting of the Finance Committee of Councils held last evening, the matter in respect to the securities of John L. Hill was under consideration, and after a long discussion was postponed until the next meeting. A petition was received, signed Alexander G. Cattell, Elisha G. Cattell, Henry Bumm, and Charles T. Yerkes, assignees of Henry Simons, asking an appropriation of \$128,765.43 to pay for deficiencies incurred by the contractor in the construction of the Chesnut street bridge. Mr. Simons received from the city the sum of \$134,000, which was the contract price, and it is alleged that the amount asked was expended above the sum he covenanted to build it for. The petition was referred to a special committee, which is to report at the next meeting.

That on behalf of the Democratic party of the city of Philadelphia the City Executive Committee hereby protests against the frauds, violence, usurpations, and revolutionary acts of Congress in forcing its usurpations, under the name of the so-called amendments of the Constitution, on the people of the United States. That the committee hereby protest against the acts of Congress whereby the Federal judiciary has been corrupted, overruled, and subjugated to obey the direction of this legislative branch of the Government, the better to enable it to destroy the Constitution of the Fathers of the republic and to establish a despotism in its place.

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